

[Secretary Peters to Gov. Johnson.]

C. C.
Original.

War Office Sep^r 1st 1777

Sir

The Board have been some Time past uneasy about the large Quantity of Continental Stores in the Neighbourhood of Baltimore & at that Place. They are informed great Part of the Powder & Stores are yet to remove as there is Difficulty in obtaining Waggons & therefore they have directed me earnestly to request your Assistance in directing the Removal of the Powder & other Continental Stores to a proper Distance from Baltimore on the Way to Carlisle whither the Commissary of Military Stores at Baltimore is & has been for some time directed to send them.

I have the Honour to be
Your very obed^t Serv^t
Richard Peters Sec^y

Mr Peale the C^y of M. S. has been
written to & will obey any Directions
you give.

Tuesday 2^d September 1777.

C. B.

Present as on yesterday Edward Lloyd Esquire attended.

Commissions issued to John Gray appointed Captain, William Heath first Lieut. Henry Selby second Lieut. William Hancock son of W^m Ensign of a Company in the Severn Battalion of Militia in Ann Arundel County.

Also to Benjamin Griffith first Lieut of Capt. Smiths Comp^y Henry McBride second Lieut. of Capt. Galbraith's Comp^y and Mark Alexander Ensign of Capt Richardsons Comp^y in the Baltimore Town Batt of Militia Balt^o County.

Wednesday 3^d September 1777.

Present as on yesterday except John Rogers Esquire

Ordered That the western shore Treasurer pay to Capt Cooke Three hundred and fifty pounds on Account of the Ship Defence.

Doct Ephraim Howard is appointed Surgeon to Col. Thomas Dorsey's Battalion of Marching Militia and Walter Warfield is appointed Mate to Doct^r Ephraim Howard.

Commissions issued to Edmond Stansbury appointed first Lieut. Gittings Wilson second Lieut. and William Parish Ensign of Capt. Standifords Comp^y in the Gunpowder Battalion of Militia in Balt. County